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high altitude is remarkable. The necessary conditions . . . are afforded by the clouds and fogs that so frequently envelop the top of the mountain." It is highly gratifying that the State has so able and active a Botanist.—2. *Report on Botany, read before the Albany Institute, Feb. 6, 1872*; by Charles H. Peck, A.M.—A large part of this Report is devoted to an elucidation of the cause and cure of "black knot" in cherry and plum trees. Mr. Peck concludes the disease to be of fungoid nature, having the dual form of *Cladosporium* and *Sphaeria*. A highly interesting account of our new *Arceuthobium* is given, from which we quote: "We infer that the history of the plant is as follows: The fruit being mature in September, some bird or other small animal seeks it for food. The seeds being covered with a very viscid coat, adhere more or less to the beak of the bird or the mouth of the animal, and being a source of annoyance to it, they are rubbed off from time to time on the branch. Those that adhere through the winter to the young and tender shoot of the past season, germinate and form, during the first summer, the little hemispherical buds above mentioned. During their second season these increase in stature and form their flower buds. Probably early in the following season, the third in the life of the plant, the flowers expand, and by the middle of September the fruit is mature." We are sorry to see that Mr. Peck and Mr. Wood have been in haste to name this plant while Dr. Engelman, to whom the subject properly belongs, is engaged in unravelling the difficult relations of the species.—3. A beautiful colored plate of *Brevoortia Ida-Maia*, Wood, with the Article on the genus by Prof. Wood, from the Journal of the Academy of Natural Science, in which he defends the genus, in opposition to Dr. Gray's view, which transfers it to *Brodiea*.

31. Meeting of April 9th.—Present, Messrs. Torrey, Barstow, Bower, C. Gerard, Henes, Hyatt, Leggett, LeRoy, McIntyre, Merriam, Payne, Ruger, Wilber, Wood—14. Mr. Hyatt exhibited *Erodium cicutarium* in bloom.

32. Errata.—Owing to the delays incident upon correcting proofs through the post-office, our March No. was kept back till the middle of April, yet, nevertheless, is not without flaws. In the § *New Hepatica*, No. 1, 3d par., for "*S. adustum*" read "*S. adustus*;" for "*Sarcoscyphus adustus*" read "*Gymnomitrium adustum*;" No. 2, 2d par., for "*S. densifolius*" read "*S. emarginatus*;" p. 14, No. 9, line 13, insert a hyphen before "oblongisve;" p. 16, No. 13, 3d par., put ":" instead of ";" after "Mont.," and in 3d line read "leaves always obtuse with the bead-like cellules in their centre;" p. 17, No. 15, 3d par., line 5, read "canaliculate;" p. 20, § *Urtica*, read "*U. gracilis*;" § *Boehmeria*, for "Jack" read "Jacq." There are a few other obvious typographical faults, and, in numbering the sections, two Nos. have been omitted, an error which we shall let pass, as it will lead to no inconvenience.

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